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By Maria E. Vega

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3641
JOSEPH H. BARTOZZI ET AL.) Examiner: Thomson, Michelle
Serial No.: 09/998,814)
Filed: October 24, 2001)
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)
LOCKING FIREARM IN AN OPEN)
POSITION BY BLOCKING ACTION)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE ACCOMPANYING RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Provisional Election with Traverse in response to the First Office Action dated October 10, 2002 (Restriction/election requirement -- one month period for reply). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and M.P.E.P. § 710.02(c), Applicant respectfully requests that the deadline for filing this Response be extended one month, from November 10, 2002 to December 10, 2002.

A check for \$110 is enclosed to cover the fee for this request. Please charge any additional fee which may be required or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-2622.

Respectfully submitted,

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